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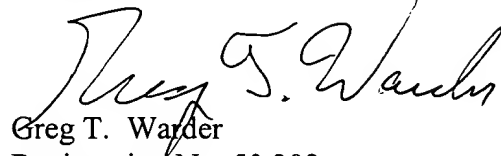
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Applicants herein acknowledge the restriction requirement in the above-referenced application. Applicants hereby elect the claims of **Group I, claims 1 through 35 and 41 through 43**, without traverse. It is noted that claim 35 has been listed in both inventions I and II. Applicants respectfully submit that claim 35 is properly included within invention I. Furthermore, claim 35 has previously been allowed in the Office Action mailed January 14, 2003, and, therefore, does not require restriction for examination purposes.

An early Office Action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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